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7. A lens comprising:

a reflective surface; and

a plurality of light transmitting elements arranged adjacent and parallel to each other to form a bundle describing a substantially planar layer; and

the reflective surface arranged substantially parallel to the planar layer whereby a light may be reflected from the reflective surface and received by at least one light transmitting element.

9. A signal lens system comprising:

a light source;

a plurality of light transmitting elements arranged adjacent to each other comprising a light emitting surface; and

the light emitting surface having a visual appearance substantially the same as an adjacent member surface containing the light emitting surface when the light source is off.

10. The signal lens as in claim 9, wherein the light transmitting elements each have a central axis and each inclined to the reflective surface at an angle greater than 0° and less than or equal to 45°.

11. The signal lens as in claim 9 further comprising a plurality of light sources.

12. The signal lens as in claim 9 wherein the light transmitting elements form a substantially planar layer.

13. A signal lens system comprising:

a light source;

a light emitting surface illuminated by the light source;

the light emitting surface integral to a member surface;

and

the light emitting surface is not substantially visually distinguishable from the adjacent member surface when the light source is off.

14. The signal lens as in claim 13 further comprising:

a reflective surface; and
the light source disposed between the reflective surface and the light emitting surface.

15. The signal lens as in claim 14, wherein the light emitting surface further comprises:

light transmitting elements each having a central axis and each inclined to the reflective surface at an angle greater than 0° and less than or equal to 45° .